

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of:  | Heather D. Maynard et al.           | Confirmation No.: 9676     |
| U.S. Serial No.:       | 10/576,038                          | Examiner: Heincer, Liam J. |
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| For:                   | BIOMACROMOLECULE POLYMER CONJUGATES |                            |

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of February 18, 2010, the shortened period for response thereto expiring May 18, 2010, amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are set forth on page 2

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.